

RESPECT Program

Code of Conduct Match Officials



- We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in the game.
- The behaviour of the match officials has an impact, directly and indirectly, on the conduct of everyone involved in the game both on the pitch and on the sidelines.
- Play your part and observe the RESPECT Codes of Conduct at all times.

I will:

- ⇒ Be honest and completely impartial at all times
- ⇒ Apply the Laws of the Game and competition rules fairly and consistently
- **→ Manage the game in a positive, calm and confident manner**
- ⇒ Deal with all instances of violence, aggression, unsporting behaviour, foul play and other misconduct
- Never tolerate offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour from players, supporting staff, and fans
- Support my match official colleagues at all times
- ⇒ Set a positive personal example by promoting good behaviour and showing respect to everyone involved in the game
- ⇒ Communicate with the players and encourage Fair Play
- ⇒ Respond in a clear, calm and confident manner to any appropriate request for clarification by the team captains
- ⇒ Prepare physically and mentally for every match
- ⇒ Complete and submit, accurate and concise reports within the time limit required for games/events in which I officiate.
- I understand that if I do not follow the Code, any/all of the following actions may be taken by the Provincial Association, league, or club:

I may be:

• Required to meet with Provincial Association, league, and/or club review or disciplinary Committee.